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The
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of 1955



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Preface

We, the Senior Class of 1955, have worked very hard to put forth an annual that we hope everyone will enjoy.

We have tried to carry the theme "activities at school" throughout our annual.

Dedication

We would like to dedicate our 1955 annual to all of our parents who have sacrificed so much for our education.



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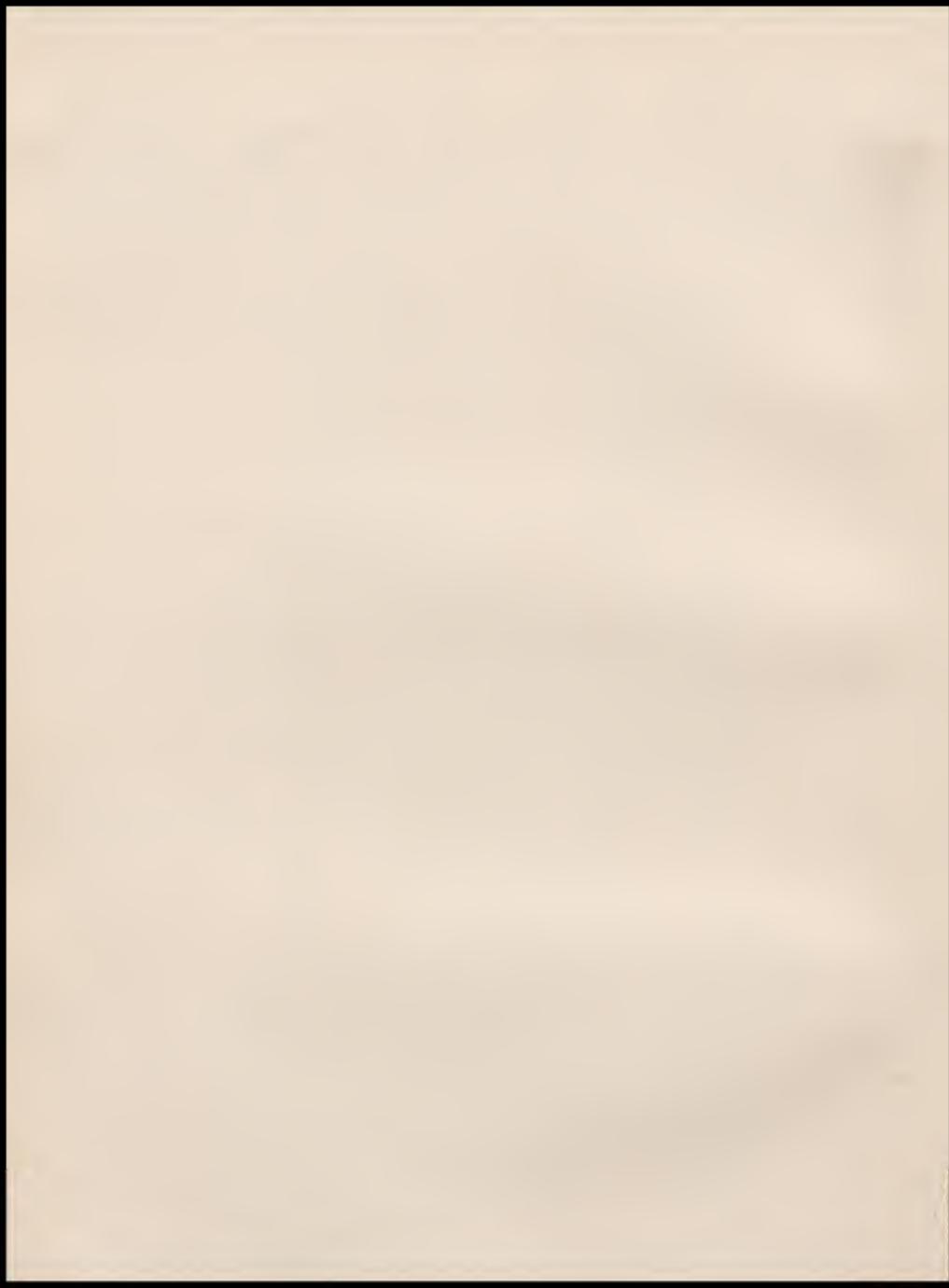


PAULINE BOL
Sixth Grade



SENIORS





WEREN'T WE CUTE ?



THELMA



EVELYN



ALLEN



BOB S.



DORIS



ELEANOR



LESTER



DARRELL



FRANCES



MARY



KEITH



ART



BOB W.



CAROL



JOHN



BARBARA S.



LOIS



BETTY

BARBARA W.



CLAUDE



BOB B.



As we were a decade ago (1944-45)



SENIORS



KEITH BARKER

"Keith"

Basketball 1, 2, 3
Football 1, 2, 3, 4
Track 1, 2, 3, 4
"Everybody's Crazy" 4
Annual Staff 4



CAROL DUGGINS

"Carol"

Boosters Club 1, 2, 3, 4
Dramatics Club 1, 2, 3, 4
Sunshine Society 3, 4
Newspaper Staff 1, 2, 3, 4
Associate Editor 3
Co-Editor 4
Student Council 1
Library Staff 1, 2, 3, 4
Class Secretary 4
Girls State Representative 3
"Pride and Prejudice" 3
Annual Staff 4



ROBERT BUNNING

"Bob"

Chorus 1, 2, 4
Band 1, 2, 3, 4
Dramatics Club 1, 2, 3
Newspaper Staff 1, 2, 3
Library Staff 1, 2, 3
Student Council 2, 4
Student Manager 2
"Everybody's Crazy" 4
Annual Staff 4, Editor



ELEANOR TOPPEN

"Ellie"

Chorus 1, 2, 4
Boosters Club 1, 2, 3, 4
Dramatics Club 2, 3
Sunshine Society 3, 4
Library Staff 1, 2, 3
Newspaper Staff 2, 3, 4
"Everybody's Crazy" 4
Annual Staff 4



DARRELL CRAWFORD
"Darrell"

Dramatics Club 1, 2, 3, 4
Newspaper Staff 1, 2, 3, 4
Associate Editor 3
Co-Editor 4
Library Staff 1
Student Council 4
"Pride and Prejudice" 3
"Everybody's Crazy" 4
Annual Staff 4



**FRANCES VANDER
MOLEN**
"France"

Chorus 1, 2, 3
Boosters Club 1, 2, 3, 4
Newspaper Staff 2, 3, 4
"Pride and Prejudice" 3
Annual Staff 4

SENIORS

CHARLES HAMSTRA
"Charlie"

Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4
Football 2, 4
Track 1, 2
Class Vice President 1
Band 1, 2, 3
Annual Staff 4



BARBARA SCHAEFER
"Bobbi Ann"

Chorus 1, 2, 3, 4
Boosters Club 1, 2, 3, 4
Sunshine Society 3, 4
Recording Secretary 4
Newspaper Staff 1, 2, 3, 4
Library Staff 3
Student Council 3
"Everybody's Crazy" 4
Annual Staff 4



JAMES FRITTS
"Jim"

Basketball 1, 3, 4
Track 3
Football 1, 2, 3, 4
"Pride and Prejudice" 3
Annual Staff 4



EVELYN EVEREY
"Ev"

Chorus 1, 2
Boosters Club 1, 2, 3, 4
Sunshine Society 3, 4
Newspaper Staff 3, 4
Library Staff 3
Class Treasurer 2
"Everybody's Crazy" 4
Annual Staff 4



ALLEN GRUBE
"Allen"

Chorus 1, 2, 4
Basketball 2, 3, 4
Track 1, 2, 3, 4
Dramatics Club 3
Newspaper Staff 4
Library Staff 2, 3
Student Council 2
Boys State Rep. 3
Class President 3, 4
"Pride and Prejudice" 3
"Everybody's Crazy" 4
Annual Staff 4



BETTY JABAAY
"Bett"

Chorus 1, 2, 3
Boosters Club 1, 2, 3, 4
Dramatics Club 1, 2, 3, 4
President 4
Sunshine Society 3, 4
Newspaper Staff 3, 4
Student Council 4
Vice President 4
Class President 2
"Pride and Prejudice" 3
"Everybody's Crazy" 4
Annual Staff 4



SENIORS

ROBERT WILLIAMSON
"Lefty"

Basketball 1, 2
Football 1, 2
Track 1, 2
Class Secretary 3
"Everybody's Crazy" 4
Annual Staff 4



LESTER THORNTON
"Les"

Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4
Football 1, 2, 3, 4
Track 1, 2
Student Council 2
Class President 1
"Pride and Prejudice" 3
Annual Staff 4



CLAUDE GOFF
"Claude"

Annual Staff 4



THELMA KALUF
"Thelma"

Chorus 1, 2
Boosters Club 1, 2, 3, 4
President 4
Sunshine Society 3, 4
Dramatics Club 1, 2, 3
Newspaper Staff 1, 2
"Pride and Prejudice" 3
"Everybody's Crazy" 4
Annual Staff 4

MARY DeDOCK
"Mary"

Chorus 1, 2
Boosters Club 1, 2, 3, 4
Sunshine Society 3, 4
Recording Secretary 3
President 4
Newspaper Staff 1, 2
Dramatics Club 2, 3
Band 1, 2, 3
Student Council 3, 4
Vice President 3
President 4
Class Treasurer 3, 4
Cheer Leader 1, 2, 3, 4
"Pride and Prejudice" 3
Annual Staff 4

BARBARA WAGNER
"Barb"

Chorus 4
Boosters Club 2, 3, 4
Sunshine Society 3, 4
Newspaper Staff 3, 4
Library Staff 3, 4
"Pride and Prejudice" 3
"Everybody's Crazy" 4
Annual Staff 4

SENIORS

JOHN VAN KEPPEL
"John"

Basketball 1
Track 1
Student Council 3
Dramatics Club 3
"Pride and Prejudice" 3
"Everybody's Crazy" 4
Annual Staff 4



ROBERT SCHULTZ
"Bob"

Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4
Football 1, 3, 4
Track 1, 2, 3, 4
Student Council 3
Vice President 3
Hi Y Club 2, 3
Library Staff 1
Annual Staff 4



ARTHUR PTACEK
"Butch"

Football 1, 3, 4
Track 3, 4
Annual Staff 4



LOIS KNYSBERG
"Lokie"

Chorus 1, 2
Boosters Club 1
Class Secretary 1, 2
Library Staff 2
Annual Staff 4

ALICE UNZICKER
"Allie"

Chorus 1, 2, 3, 4
Boosters Club 1, 2, 3, 4
Sunshine Society 3, 4
Treasurer 4
Dramatics Club 2, 3
Newspaper Staff 1, 2, 3, 4
Library Staff 3
Class Vice President 2, 3
Cheer Leader 1, 4
"Everybody's Crazy" 4
Annual Staff 4

DORIS VAN MEERTEN
"Dorie"

Chorus 1, 2, 4
Boosters Club 1, 2, 3, 4
Sunshine Society 3, 4
Newspaper Staff 1, 2, 3, 4
Library Staff 1, 2, 3, 4
"Pride and Prejudice" 3
"Everybody's Crazy" 4
Annual Staff 4

Class Poem

Our class does not have long to wait
Until we all will graduate.
But now before our members disband,
We'd like you to know each one of our clan.

Another girl from DeMotte
Is Carol, who reads a lot.
She's editor of the paper
Along with several other kapers.

To Mr. Hission we wish to express
Our gratitude for his helpfulness.
He has given us freely of his time,
Though sometimes it has been hard to find.

A tall, slim girl named Evelyn
With as good a humor as anyone.
Sometimes she dearly loves to chat,
But other times does far from that.

The first to be introduced is Keith;
We've always known him to be neat.
For driving around in his automobile,
He seems to have a lot of zeal.

This handsome lad with a friendly way
Gets fine grades almost every day.
And in sports Jim takes an active part;
He is really off to a very good start.

Bob Bunning is very well known
For playing with his saxophone.
With his crewcut, he can be pointed out
quick;
For, unlike the others, his hair's far from
slick.

A tall, dark boy with wavy hair;
Allen's ball playing is more than fair.
He was our president for the last two years;
For all his help, he deserves our cheers.

Darrell has an interest in many things;
With his acting, he entertainment brings.
He has drawing and painting ability
And also enjoys photography.

Claude seldom misses a day of school
And he's not tardy, as a rule.
He is always ready to do a task,
Whenevver anyone may ask.

In any subject Mary does well
And we all agree her cheerleading's swell.
Her many activities give her plenty to do;
She is president of Student Council and Sun-
shine Club too.

Tall Charlie can be seen from far,
Especially in his new Ford car.
When he is with the girl he adores
The rest of us he simply bores.

Betty, who has a birthday in June,
Can play and sing many a tune.
This brown-eyed miss has a friendly smile,
Which she uses more than once-in-a-while.

When Eleanor sits down to sew,
She'll soon have something nice to show.
She is neat and tidy in everything,
And someday she'll wear an engagement ring.

A friend who we are glad to have met;
She isn't one we'll quickly forget.
This year Thelma has been rather busy,
For being Booster Club president isn't easy.

Alice is a blonde with a pretty voice;
To be a nurse is her first choice.
But whatever she decides to do,
We wish her success all the way through.

A girl who likes to cook and bake,
Yet now is trying a poem to make.
But to make a poem I have a hard time,
Since I do not usually write in rhyme.

A rather tall girl is Frances;
She has dark hair and wears glasses.
Always ready to help someone out,
Of this fact there's not a doubt.

At magazines he often looks,
Although he doesn't care for books.
But if you're wondering to whom I refer,
It's a brown-eyed boy named Arthur.

John Van Keppel likes to joke,
But still, being serious is in his scope.
Especially in our two class plays,
He acted his parts in the best of ways.

Another boy who it's time to mention,
To his studies he gives good attention.
But that's not all that Bob gets done,
For there's many activities he doesn't shun.

Doris has auburn hair and brown eyes;
To teach is where her interest lies.
She has good friends by the score,
And we know that she'll have many more.

Barbara is a girl who likes lots of fun,
But still gets more than her share of work done.
In our senior play, as Libby Ann,
She did as well as anyone can.

The other blonde in our class
Is Barbara, a blue-eyed lass.
She's not too tall and not too short,
And she always proves a very good sport.

Lester Thornton is his name;
He likes to play in a ball game.
A cheerful, pleasant fellow is he,
And with a senior girl he likes to be.

Lefty is a curly-haired chap
Who doesn't usually wear a cap.
And quite often we do find
He'll speak some of his mind.

Last Will and Testament

By MARY DEKOCK

We, the Senior Class of 1955, are trying to show what the future holds in store for the juniors and teachers of this year, by willing to them some of our outstanding abilities and possessions.

Keith Barker, our first senior, wills his front seat in study hall to John Bol. That doesn't give you much to look forward to, does it, John?

Bob Bunning wills both his enjoyment of music and his gift of music to Bob Kaper and Roy Kingma. With this gift, you two should make quite a duet.

Darrell Crawford, in an exceedingly generous state of mind, wills his miscellaneous articles in his desk, on his desk, on his seat, and on the floor to Marlene Hamstra. Let's hope you're a better housekeeper than he was!

Carol Duggins, in a tired state of mind, wills her long, long working hours to Carol Kooy and Howard McDaniel. This is so you'll have something to do nights.

Evelyn Evers, in a carefree state of mind, wills all of her shorthand notebooks to Ronnie Marshall and Ray Nannenga. Think of the work you will be saved in shorthand, boys.

Next is James Fritts, who, trying to be helpful, wills his last years "Don Eagle" haircut to Marvin Kaluf.

Claude Goff, in a sympathetic state of mind, wills his respect for the teachers to Bob Jackson.

Allen Grube, in a reluctant state of mind, wills his long, dark, curly eyelashes to Bob Zylstra. That's quite a change, isn't it, Bob?

Charles Hamstra, in a mischievous state of mind, wills his ability to steal watermelons and not get caught to Marvin Vander Molen and Bob Lloyd.

Betty Jabaay, in a generous state of mind, and looking into the future, wills all of her government outlines to Bob Van Meerten. They'll be real handy, Bob.

Thelma Kaluf, in a frustrated state of mind, wills her position as Booster's Club president and her ability to get workers for the ball games to Carolyn Hoffman. You've got a real job on your hands, Carolyn.

Lois Knynsberg, in a helpful state of mind, wills her quiet ways to Charmaine De Fries and Janet St. John. What a valuable thing for them to have!

Art Ptacek, in a speedy state of mind, wills his ability to get his art assignments in on time to John Oezer.

Next on our list is Bob Schultz, who, with no state of mind at all, wills his ability to stay out late at night and still get to school on time to Barbara Groet. Don't let these late nights affect you this way, Barb!

Barbara Schaefer, in a romantic state of mind, wills all of the "True Romance" magazines that she read in study hall to Virginia Bush and Myrle Coffer. Think of the education you two girls will be getting from reading these magazines!

Les Thornton, in a drowsy state of mind, wills his sleeping spot in shop to Junior Van Keppel. Let's hope you don't snore, Junior.

Eleanor Toppen, in a happy state of mind, wills her ability to trap a man and then keep him to Elaine Weirs.

John Van Keppel, in a hungry state of mind, wills his old candy wrappers to Bill Thornton. Let's keep them out of other people's desks, tho, Bill.

Alice Unzicker, in a musical state of mind, wills her place in the sextette to Mona Nanenga. Sing pretty now, Mona.

Frances Vander Molen, in a reckless state of mind, wills her ability to drive to Evelyn De Vries and Kathryn Walstra. Wonder if you two will be able to get driver's licenses.

Doris Van Meerten, on the spur of the moment, wills all of her trips to Rensselaer to Marilyn Van Weinen. Wonder if your trips will be for the same thing??!

Barbara Wagner, after much thought, decided to will her home ec. time to Lorraine Hoffman. Use it wisely, Lorraine.

Bob Williamson, in a sleepy state of mind, wills his much-beloved job as the "milkman" and the few hours sleep he gets to Donnie Griwac.

Mary De Kock, in a mixed-up state of mind, wills all the times she changes her mind to Mary Scott.

To:

Mrs. Hoeppner—A typing class that is in their seats when the bell rings.

Miss Mussman—An escalator.

Miss Kolling—an art class that can draw.

Mr. Jones—A toupee.

Mr. Albritton—An operetta cast that knows their parts.

Mr. Rose—A quiet study hall.

Mr. Rude—A new finger and an unscarred forehead.

Mr. Hission—A record player so he won't have to sing to make music??!!

Mr. Stangle—A talkative government class.

Class Prophesy

By ALICE UNZICKER

After traveling for a few weeks I decided I would stop at New York. I arrived there at 10 A.M. in the morning. I decided that since I got there so early I would go shopping. After parking my car I glanced around and saw a book store. I went in to look around and a clerk came up to me and to my surprise she was Mary De Kock, one of my "1955" classmates. After we chatted for awhile she invited me to stay at her apartment or if I wanted to stay somewhere else she suggested the "Ritz Fritzy Hotel" owned by James Fritts.

When I was signing in I saw Frances Vander Molen, who is employed there. We talked for quite a while. She told me Allen Grube was the manager of a big department store in the main part of town. She had to get back to work so I left to go shopping.

I decided I would go to Grube's Department store. I went in and the first person I saw was Betty Jabaay, who was waiting on a customer. As soon as she finished she came over and talked to me. She told me Doris, Carol, and Evelyn also worked there, and "Oh, yes," Claude is the elevator boy.

After I had bought some clothes I started back to my room at the hotel. As I rounded the corner I saw a newsstand and decided to get a paper to read. After a few minutes of scanning the headlines I selected one called "Top In News."

When I arrived in my room I sat down to read my paper. I nearly jumped out of my chair when I read that Eleanor Toppen was editor of the paper. As I read further I read that the 500 mile race held at Schultz's South Side Speedway, owner Bob Schultz, was won by Art P. and second was Keith B.

When I looked at the comics I read a comic strip called Nelson Brady written by Darrell C.

After looking further I saw that the great Psychiatrist Robert B. was supposed to land at 2:00 P.M. The pilot of his private plane is Charles Hamstra.

Just before putting down the paper I saw where there was a small fire in Lefty's Loan Corporation. His secretary Barbara W. and Assistant Secretary Lois K. suffered minor burns. They were given first aid by two

nurses, Thelma K. and Barbara S., who were summoned by police chief John V. K.

I looked at my watch and it was getting late so I thought I'd better be leaving since I had an appointment out of town. When I got started I saw I was just about out of gas. I saw a sign which said "Pay less at Les'" so I drove in and to my surprise Les T. came out and serviced my car.

After getting on my way I thought back of the day's visit and I realized that I had met all my "1955" classmates.

Class History

By CAROL DUGGINS

It was in the fall of 1951 when we began our climb. There were 34 of us then. In that early stage of the climb we needed guidance, so we chose Mr. Moolenaar to help us. We decided to go about the whole trip diplomatically, so we elected Lester Thornton to the presidency and Charles Hamstra as his partner. We elected Lois Knynsberg as secretary and Roy Schlarp as treasurer. We sent ahead Bob Bunning and Carol Duggins to the Student Council to represent us. We hadn't climbed very high before Kenny Compton and Jerry Vermeulen came to a spot they liked and decided to let the rest of us go on without them, however Harriet Glasscock and Margie Nannenga decided to join us. We very appropriately chose "Climb though the Rocks be Rugged" as our Motto. We chose the pink carnation as our flower and blue and silver as our colors. Then in May we reached a beautiful green valley and decided to camp there for the summer. Thus ended the first lap of our climb.

In September of 1952 we prepared to leave the green valley and move on to the steeper rocks. We felt more keenly the need for help and chose Mr. Champion to direct us. We then held elections. Betty Jabaay won the presidency and Alice Unzicker the vice presidency. Lois Knynsberg began her second year as secretary. Evelyn Every took care of our finances and we sent Lester Thornton and Joyce Boender to the Student Council. We gathered together 30 eager students and began to climb. During the climb we came to a little mountain trail, where we met Berniss Saundrey and Barbara Wagner, they joined our little group, but Darlene Grevensuk, Jerry Zylstra, Harriet Glasscock, Margie Nannenga and Bob Schultz left us to follow the trail. We kept climbing though until we came to a cool looking woods and decided to spend the summer there.

Again in September of 1953 we made preparations to begin the third quarter of the climb. We chose Miss Kolling to sponsor us and held our annual elections. Allen Grube became our president and Alice Unzicker took the vice presidency for her second consecutive year. Bob Williamson took care of our books, and Mary DeKock was our treasurer. Barbara Schaefer and John Van Keppel represented us in the Student Council. Jerry Vermeulen rejoined us just before we began this part of our climb, making us a total of 30 students. As the climb became tougher Roy Schlarp, Don Hixson and John Mak left our little group. Before we came to our summer camping ground, we stopped along the way long enough to present the play, "Pride and Prejudice." As we looked ahead we noticed the seniors, and invited them to join us in a banquet at the Curtis Creek Country Club, in the early part of May. They accepted our invitation, and we celebrated the end of the third quarter of our climb.

In preparation of the last quarter of our climb we chose Mr. Hission to help us, and for the last time held elections. Allen Grube began his second term as president and Jerry Vermeulen acted as his partner. Carol Duggins was elected secretary and Mary DeKock began her second year as treasurer. Betty Jabaay and Bob Bunning represented us in Student Council. Clara Spurgeon, Lorretta DeYoung and Joyce Boender claimed their fortunes in our summer camping grounds, but Bob Schultz rejoined us and we began our last lap with 25 students. During the early part of this lap we delayed the climb long enough to present "Everybody's Crazy," which was a great success. We continued the climb until the middle of May when we finally reached the top. Our success was highlighted by graduation, after which we went for a short trip before the members of our class departed to go their own ways and seek their fortunes.

Now as we stand at the top of the steep rocks, we look forward to the green valleys and shady woodlands, we know not what opportunities are in store for us, but we know we will always carry fond memories of our four year climb through the halls of DeMotte High.

GRADES



Junior Class



LEFT TO RIGHT, TOP ROW: Kathryn Walstra; Marvin Kaluf, Ray Nannenga, Bob Jackson, Bob Kaper, Roy Kingma, Junior Van Kappel, Marlene Hamstra. THIRD ROW: Mora Nannenga, Evelyn De Vries, Bob Van Meerten, Ron Marshall, John Bol, Don Griwac, Howard McDaniel, Elaine Wiers. SECOND ROW: Charmaine De Fries, Bob Lloyd, Bill Thornton, Carolyn Hoffman, Marilyn Van Wielen. FIRST ROW: Virginia Bush, Mary Scott, Janet St. John, Barbara Groet, Carol Kooy, Mrs. Hoeppner, SPONSOR. ABSENT: Myrtle Coffer, Lorraine Hoffman, John Oezer, Marvin Vander Molen, Bob Zylstra.

In the fall of 1952, we were welcomed into high school by the Seniors, who gave us a party. We chose Mr. Moolenaar to be our sponsor. For our officers we elected Joan DeYoung, president; Ronald Marshall, vice-president; Ray Nannenga, secretary; and John Bol, treasurer. Barbara Groet and Bob Lloyd were our Student Council Representatives.

In our Sophomore year we chose Mrs. Hoeppner to be our sponsor. Bob Lloyd was elected president; Bob Jackson, vice-president; Carol Kooy, secretary; and Don Griwac, treasurer. Edith Dunham and Ray Nannenga were Student Council representatives.

We got our class sweaters in our Sophomore year. They are green with white letters.

We entered our Junior year in the fall of 1954. We again chose Mrs. Hoeppner as our sponsor. We elected the following officers: president, Janet St. John; vice-president, Evelyn De Vries; treasurer, Kathryn Walstra; secretary, Lorraine Hoffman. Carolyn Hoffman and Bob Zylstra were elected as our Student Council representatives.

Later in the fall we received our class rings. We gave our class play in March. In May we gave the Seniors a banquet.



Lorraine Hoffman, Kathryn Walstra, Evelyn De Vries, Janet St. John.

Sophomore Class



LEFT TO RIGHT TOP ROW: Marilyn Walstra, Warren Swart, Sam Hamstra, Dean Kingma, Bob Schaefer, Frances Kingma, Marilyn Dahm. FOURTH ROW: George Hoffman, Duane Kynsburg, Bob Barker, Russell Duggins, Byron Walstra, Jack Kelly. THIRD ROW: Bob Eenigenburg, Junior Toppen, Veronica Krueck, Bill Dyke, Charles Peterson, Simon De Young. SECOND ROW: Mildred Coberly, Ruthann Kampenga, Edith Selby, Ruth Alma Abbring, Doreen Thornton. FIRST ROW: Jim Unzicker, Kay Bunning, Linda Hammerton, Patty Van Meerten. Mr. Rude, SPONSOR.

We entered the Freshman class in the fall of 1953. We chose Miss Jacobus as our sponsor. We chose Marilyn Walstra as president, Sam Hamstra as vice-president, Kay Bunning as secretary. Ruthann Kampenga and Warren Swart were chosen as our Student Council representatives.

In our Sophomore year we chose Mr. Rude to be our sponsor. Our officers are: President, Kay Bunning; Vice-president, Ruth Alma Abbring; Secretary-Treasurer, Mildred Coberly.



Mildred Coberly, Kay Bunning, Ruth Alma Abbring.

Our Student Council representatives are . . .
Marilyn Dahm and Simon De Young.

This year we received our class sweaters
which are Royal Blue and white.

Freshman Class



LEFT TO RIGHT, TOP ROW: James Walstra, Larry Hunter, Herbert De Fries, James Dexter, James Oezer, James Whitmore, Wayne Nuss. FOURTH ROW: Sandra Bennema, James Edwards, Paul Spurgeon; Norman Groet, Elmer Vander Molen, Richard Kierma, Carolyn Jackson. THIRD ROW: Sharon Milton, Strauss Clutts, Rita Hoffman, Arlene Kingma, Arlene Hoekstra, Eva Barker, Roberta Leitzow. SECOND ROW: Margie Tomezak, Karen Peterson, Judy Burghorst, Arlene Hoffman, Judy Smith, Jerry Coberly. FIRST ROW: Judy Grivaic, Pauline Westerhoff, Jerry Heimlich, Donald Moolenaar, Charles Spurgroen, Judy Dyke. Miss Kolling, SPONSOR.



Jerry Heimlich, Bill Kaper, Carolyn Jackson, Rita Hoffman.

We entered the Freshman class in the fall of 1954. Our sponsor is Miss Kolling. We chose as our class officers the following members: president, Bill Kaper; vice-president, Jerry Heimlich; secretary, Carolyn Jackson; treasurer, Rita Hoffman; and our student council representatives are Arlene Kingma and James Whitmore.

Grade 8



LEFT TO RIGHT, TOP ROW: Dale Hass, Glen Kooy, Carroll De Fries, Howard Crawford, Robert Albin, Linda Nannenga, Patricia Schaefer, Sandra Van Meerten. THIRD ROW: Arlene Kampenga, Larry Milton, Roger D. Alexander, Eugene Zylstra, Mary Misch, Patty Myers, Jacquelyn Van Wieren. SECOND ROW: Renee Albritton, Jerry Drudge, Alvin Fase, Jeremy Ramp, Warren Clut's, James Black, James Wright. FIRST ROW: Donna Marsh, Joyce Bush, Marian Groet, Margaret Toppen, Ronald Sipkema, Eleanor Hamstra, Janice Klemp. Mr. Rose, SPONSOR.



Jerry Drudge, Alvin Fase, Joyce Bush.

Grade 7



LEFT TO RIGHT, TOP ROW: Jim Sampson, Robert Sipkem, Bill Van Soest, Harold Evers, Ruth Kaper, Lyle Kessinger, Lynn Kessinger. THIRD ROW: Diana Grevenstuk, Judith Nuss, Jean Van Meerten, Betty Graefen, Ruth Ewart, Diane Alexander, Sharlie Konovsky. SECOND ROW: Frederick Ramp, Jane Williams, Robert Drudge, Joyce Zylstra, Melodie Grevenstuk, Ronald Gross. FIRST ROWS Ronnie Lonsberry, Paula Bush, Robert Westerhoff, Dolores Myers, Betsy Bol, Eugene Hoover. Miss Mussman, SPONSOR.



Ronnie Gross, Ruth Ann Ewart, Judy Nuss, Sharlie Konovsky.

Grades

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LEFT TO RIGHT, TOP ROW: Donna De Vries, Mary Lynn Abbring, Carol Smith, Richard Peters, Lornell Hamstra, Rudy Zylstra, Ruthann Lloyd. FOURTH ROW: Margie Kierama, Billy Eenshuistra, Ralph Kenning, Linda Moelenhaar, Lorna Odle, Herbert Hoover, Linda Orsburn. THIRD ROW: Carol Mason, Richard Enigenburg, Charles Edwards, Sharon Nannenga, David Hart, Mary Beth Starkay, Skippy Albritton. SECOND ROW: Joan Sekema, Patricia Radke, Paul Bovenkerk, Lynda Walstra, Jim Bunning, Sheila St. John. FIRST ROW: Judy Gardner, Joan Takacs, Andy Nannenga, Jimmie Klemp, Edna Dunham, David Bauman. Mrs. Bol, TEACHER. ABSENT: Mary Boer, Joyce Kooy, Jimmy Toppin.

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LEFT TO RIGHT, TOP ROW: Joel Oezer, Bobby Ed Hanford, Larry Selby, David Grevestuk, Leonard Peters, Sharyl Sipkema, Tommy Schaefer, Robert Lee Herring. FOURTH ROW: Sally Van Meerten, Ronnie Hill, Billy Van Dyke, Jody De Young, Jimmy Coberly, Catherine Swart, Jane Zylstra. THIRD ROW: David Peterson, Jerry Lee De Young, Robert Hanaway, Audrey Hoepner, Vernon Hoover, Chuckie Abbring, Johnny Clark. SECOND ROW: Jerry Jo Spurgeon, Dale Bovenkerk, Lee Edwards, Joy Wright, Joyce Wright, Ben Mason. FIRST ROW: David Watson, Donna Kay Bornmann, Jerry Koster, Mona Hunter, Billy Prater, Lewis Holwin. Mrs. Kessinger, TEACHER. ABSENT: Margaret Klemp, Billy Dyke, Gene De Young, Charlie Raguse, Patsy Grivac, Pauline Crosley, Paul Crosley.

Grades



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LEFT TO RIGHT, TOP ROW: Ronald Novak, Dennis Eenshiastra, Betty Kaper, Beverly Hamstra, Henry Bosma, Ben Morbles, Bobby Toppen, Becky Hart. THIRD ROW: Karen Horton, David Huss, Betty Hoffman, Pamela Tyzen, Beverly Evers, Eugene Wright, David Hanford, Donald Bunning. SECOND ROW: Charles Nannenga, Tresa Groot, Harold Knynsberg, David Fugenbaum, David Odle, Henry Starkey, Evelyn Walford. FIRST ROW: Betty Bovenkerk, Margaret Van Dyke, Sharon Peters, Billy Edwards, Kay Durflenger, Emma Wright. ABSENT: Joan Canady, David Hoover, Elmore Hoover, Jerry Williams, Karen McDaniel. Mrs. Fry, TEACHER.



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LEFT TO RIGHT, TOP ROW: Cheryl Sampson, Donald Kachlic, Kathy Boezeman, Annette Bosma, Elaine Terpstra, Karen De Vries, Michael Hart, Jimmy Wiers, Sandra Sipkema. FOURTH ROW: Barbara Stevenson, Nick Tillger, Dick Whitmore, Ralph Mason, Michael Peterson, Walter Huhn, Ellen Nannenga, Steven Holm-Hansen. THIRD ROW: Beverly Myers, Billy Orsburn, Joe De Kock, Marvin Boezeman, Billy De Young, Larry Bol, Alga Arbitton. SECOND ROW: Larry Musch, Calvin De Young, Valerie Lloyd, Larry Horton, Mary Lou Sipkema, Dorothy Sterk, Kathryn Misch. FIRST ROW: Donna Mason, Dennis Alexander, Frances Samuels, Audrey Evers, Vivian Prater, Carol Hoover, Mary Takacs. ABSENT: Elaine Grevestuk, Judy Eaton, David Schoonveld. Mrs. Tresa Boezeman, TEACHER.

Grades

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LEFT TO RIGHT, TOP ROW: Craig Zeck, Carol Walstra, Robert Punter, Eileen Belstra, Howard Swart, Gloria Peterson, Cheryl Zeck, Lois Bosma, Louella Anderson. THIRD ROW: Catherine Huhn, David Peterson, Carl Bunning, Helen Barker, Fred Edwards, Rosemary Sekema, Donald Nanenga, Edward Anderson. SECOND ROW: Nancy Kooy, Nancie Bunning, Mirriam Moolenaar, Rachael Wicker, Lloyd Milton, Charlene Groot, Sherry Stellingwerf, David Dalman. FIRST ROW: Barbara Konovsky, Calvin Bovenkerk, Donna Lonsberry, Louis Lloyd, Priscilla Marsh, Steven Bauman. ABSENT: Fred Abbring, Alan Knip, Gail Raguse, Darlene Alexander, Philip Moolenaar, Larry Evers. Mrs. Hission, TEACHER.

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LEFT TO RIGHT, TOP ROW: Robert Stevenson, Kerry Jones, Marvin Hamstra, Cindy Evers, Leona Leitzou, Ronald Mosier, Johnny Eakin, Lynn Boezeman, David Abbring. THIRD ROW: Patsy Mason, Edwin Anderson, Gregory Hobn-Hansen, Roger Knip, Guy Sheridan, Larry Boezeman, Kenneth Duggins, Pamela Sheridan, Robert Schoonveld. SECOND ROW: Roger Dalman, Lois Milton, Jacqueline Huhn, Johnny Hanford, Carrie Sterk, Albert Oezer, Dick Van Dyke, Hope Wicker. FIRST ROW: Marvin Peterson, Carol Nagel, Dick Selby, Shelley Watson, Rhoda Albritton, Winnie Barker, Robert Anderson, Linda Cummins. ABSENT: Larry Cannedy, Karen Evers, James Hanaway, Elick Hoover, Eleanor Klemp, Joan Krueger, Ralph Prater, Stephen Ruisard, Vicki Todd, Johnny Williams, Clifford Wolford, Leslie Woudema, Sue Barker. Miss Lonergan, TEACHER.

ACTIVITIES





Annual Staff



LEFT TO RIGHT, SEATED: Frances Vander Molen, Evelyn Evers, Robert Bunning, Allen Grube, Mr. Hission. STANDING, FIRST ROW: Claude Goff, Robert Williamson, Eleanor Toppen, Barbara Wagner, Carol Duggins. SECOND ROW: Doris Van Meerten, Thelma Kaluf, Betty Jabaay, Barbara Schaefer, Alice Unzicker, Lois Knyneberg, Lester Thornton. THIRD ROW: Mary De Kock, Arthur Ptacek, James Fritts, John Van Keppel, Darrell Crawford, Charles Hamstra, Jerry Vermeulen, Robert Schultz.

Under the able direction of Mr. Hission, sponsor, and with Robert Bunning as our editor, we the senior class of 1955 have tried to give you an annual that you will enjoy just as much as we have enjoyed putting it together.

We wish to extend our thanks to everyone who helped make the 1954-55 annual a success.

Editor, Robert Bunning; Business Manager, Allen Grube; Annual Sales, Arthur Ptacek, chairman, Robert Williamson, Charles Hamstra, Keith Barker, Claude Goff; Ad Sales, Robert Schultz; Assistant Editors, Evelyn Evers, Frances Vander Molen; Seniors, Betty Jabaay; Grades, Eleanor Toppen; Activities, Doris Van Meerten, Barbara Wagner; Sports, James Fritts, Lester Thornton; Miscellaneous, Barbara Schaefer, Thelma Kaluf; Will, Mary De Kock; History, Carol Duggins; Poem, Lois Knyneberg; Prophecy, Alice Unzicker; Art, John Van Keppel, Darrell Crawford, Jerry Vermeulen, Barbara Schaefer; Photography, Darrell Crawford.

Student Council



LEFT TO RIGHT, SEATED: Mrs. Hoepnner, Lorraine Hoffman, Mary De Kock, Betty Jabaay, Mr. Hission. FIRST ROW, STANDING: Ronald Sipkema, Sharlie Konovsky, Carol Duggins, Arlene Kingma, Simon De Young, Jim Sampson, Marion Groet. SECOND ROW: Carolyn Hoffman, Marlene Hamstra, Darrell Crawford, Robert Bunning, James Whitmore, Marilyn Dahm.

The Student Council is made up of High School and Junior High School students, with Mrs. Hoepnner and Mr. Hission as sponsors.

A boy and a girl from each class is chosen to represent their class and one person from each organization is selected to represent each organization.

The officers are: President, Mary De Kock; Vice President, Betty Jabaay; Secretary, Robert Zylstra; Treasurer, Lorraine Hoffman.

The Student Council has as its projects the coke, milk, and candy machines in the lower hall. Through the efforts of the Student Council, the milk machine was changed to nickels this year. Last year it took dimes. This was done to encourage students to drink milk. The Student Council sent another Care package this year. This time it was sent to the Philippine Islands.

Booster's Club



LEFT TO RIGHT, FIRST ROW: Miss Mussman, Judy Griwe, Kay Bunning, Virginia Bush, Karen Peterson, Judy Berghorst, Margie Tomczak, Linda Hammerton, Judy Dyke. SECOND ROW: Patricia Van Meerten, Carol Duggins, Arlene Hoffman, Carol Kooy, Janet St. John, Carolyn Hoffman, Doreen Thornton, Eva Barker, Pauline Westerhoff. THIRD ROW: Barbara Groot, Barbara Wagner, Eleanor Tappan, Ruthann Kampenga, Ruth Alma Abbing, Charmaine De Fries, Arlene Hockstra, Judy Smith, Doris Van Meerten, Mary Scott. FOURTH ROW: Mary De Kock, Rita Hoffman, Arlene Kingma, Carolyn Jackson, Veronica Krueck, Thelma Kaluf, Elaine Wiers, Alice Unzicker, Mona Nannenga. FIFTH ROW: Betty Jabaay, Evelyn Evers, Frances Vander Molen, Frances Kingma, Kathryn Walstra, Marlene Hamstra, Evelyn De Vries, Marilyn Walstra, Marilyn Dahm, Barbara Schaefer.



Mona Nannenga, Kathryn Walstra, Thelma Kaluf.

The Booster's Club is an organization of High School girls under the supervision of Miss Mussman. Their main object is to boost the school spirit.

The Booster's Club sells refreshments at all the home ball games, and when it's tournament time, they make streamers. At the end of the year, the club gives a party in honor of all the High School boys who have participated in sports during the year.

Motion Picture Operators



LEFT TO RIGHT, FIRST ROW: Mr. Hission, Frederick Ramp, Lynn Kessinger, Robert Eenigenburg, Simon De Young, Jeremy Ramp, Kay Bunning, James Unzicker. SECOND ROW: Mildred Coberly, Junior Tappen, Robert Bunning, Paul Spurgeon, Charles Spurgeon, Elmer Vander Molen, Carol Kooy. THIRD ROW: Bill Thornton, George Hoffman, Duane Knijnsberg, Russell Duggins, Sam Hamstra, Robert Barker, Jack Kelly. FOURTH ROW: Larry Hunter, James Ozer, Dean Kingma, Darrell Crawford, Allen Grubé, Robert Jackson, Junior Van Kepel, James Dexter.

Dramatics Club



LEFT TO RIGHT, FIRST ROW: Mary Scott, Roberta Leitzow, Robert Eenigenburg, Linda Hammerton, Pauline Westerhoff, Miss Kolling. SECOND ROW: Barbara Wagner, Doris Van Meerten, Ruth Abbring, Carol Duggins, Judy Berghorst. THIRD ROW: Doreen Thornton, Betty Jabaay, Kathryn Walstra, Arlene Kingma, Charmaine De Fries, Arlene Hockstra.

Newspaper Staff



LEFT TO RIGHT, SEATED: Carol Kooy, Darrell Crawford, Miss Kolling, Carol Duggins, Marilyn Van Wienen. FIRST ROW: Betsy Bol, Delores Myers, Eleanor Hamstra, Patricia Van Meerten, Kay Bunning, Janet St. John, Carolyn Hoffman, Doreen Thaynton, Judy Nuss, Eva Barker, Diane Grevestuk, Marion Groet. SECOND ROW: Judy Berghorst, Barbara Wagner, Ruth Alma Abbring, Charmaine De Fries, Doris Van Meerten, Mary Scott, Sharlie Konovsky. THIRD ROW: Barbara Groet, Mildred Coberly, Carolyn Jackson, Veronica Kuueck, Elaine Wiers, Alice Unzicker, Jacqueline Van Wienen. FOURTH ROW: Lorraine Hoffman, Betty Jabaay, Evelyn Evers, Frances Vander Molen, Frances Kingma, Kathryn Walstra, Marlene Hamstra, Evelyn De Vries, Barbara Schaefer, Mona Nannenga.

The newspaper staff consists of Junior High and High School students under the direction of Miss Kolling. The students are assigned jobs suited to them. The chief staff consists of: Editors, Darrell Crawford and Carol Duggins; Associate Editors, Carol Kooy and Marilyn Van Wienen.

Library Staff



LEFT TO RIGHT, FIRST ROW: *Judy Dyke, Carol Duggins, Mrs. Hoeppner, Doris Van Meerten, Eva Barker.* SECOND ROW: *Betsy Bol, Dolores Myers, Janice Klemp, Joyce Bush, Ruth Ewart, Charmaine De Fries, Barbara Wagner, Sharlie Konovsky, Patricia Van Meerten.* THIRD ROW: *Judy Nuss, Ruth Kaper, Doreen Thornton, Marilyn Van Wienen, Jaquilyn Van Wienen, Melodie Grevensuk, Marion Groet.*

The Junior and Senior High School Library in our school accommodates about 250 students. An organization of student librarians takes over the technical work of the library. The student librarians are organized into a group that works for better library service to the students. Doris Van Meerten, who is the assistant librarian, is chairman of the group.

About 200 new books will be added to our collection this year. These books are catalogued by Mrs. Hoeppner and the librarians.

Each room of the grade department has its own library. These books are also recorded and catalogued in the central library. Many new books are added to the room libraries each year. Magazines and newspapers are kept in the High School Library for use by students.

The adults of the community are welcome in our library. Reading is excellent recreation!

The high-point of the year for the librarians is a trip to Chicago to help select new books for the library.

Sunshine Society



LEFT TO RIGHT, FIRST ROW: Judy Griewe, Pauline Westhoff, Kay Baumer, Linda Hammerton, Margie Tomzak, Judy Bughorn, Judy Dyke. SECOND ROW: Carol Duggins, Arlene Hoffman, Janet St. John, Judy Smith, Eva Barker, Karen Peterson, Barbara Groot. THIRD ROW: Patricia Van Meerten, Barbara Wagner, Eleanor Toppen, Doris Van Meerten, Carolyn Hoffman, Mary Scott, Doreen Thornton, Mary De Kock. FOURTH ROW: Mildred Coberly, Rita Hoffman, Carolyn Jackson, Veronica Krueck, Elaine Wiers, Alice Unzicker, Arlene Hoekstra, Sandra Benema, Thelma Kaluf. FIFTH ROW: Arlene Kingma, Lorraine Hoffman, Betty Jabaay, Evelyn Evers, Kathryn Walstra, Marlene Hamstra, Barbara Schaefer, Mona Nannenga, Roberta Leitzow, Mrs. Hoeppner.

The Sunshine Society was organized in 1954. This is their second year as a society. There are 44 girls in our society. The officers are as follows: President, Mary De Kock; Vice President, Mary Scott; Corresponding Secretary, Kathryn Walstra; Recording Secretary, Barbara Schaefer; Treasurer, Alice Unzicker, and Student Council Representative, Lorraine Hoffman.

Among the things the Sunshine Society took part in this year was the collection of money for the Polio Drive in our township, the sponsorship of a Basketball Banquet for all boys who took part in sports this year, sponsorship of a Mother-Daughter Tea, and the formal initiation of new members of our society. Each member selected their "Ideal Lady" at the beginning of the year and remember them with gifts or cards of special occasions.

Our motto is "Others," and our main purpose is to make our community a happier and better place in which to live.



Barbara Schaefer, Mary DeKock, Mary Scott, Alice Unzicker, Kathryn Walstra.

Sun Ray Society



LEFT TO RIGHT, FIRST ROW: Betsy Bol, Jane Williams, Joyce Zylstra, Melodie Grevensuk, Donna Marsh, Dolores Myers, Janice Klemp. SECOND ROW: Sharlie Konovsky, Judy Nuss, Jean Van Meerten, Betty Graefen, Ruth Ewart, Dian Alexander. THIRD ROW: Diane Grevensuk, Renee Albritton, Sandra Van Meerten, Arlene Kampeenga, Patricia Myers, Margaret Toppem. FOURTH ROW: Marion Groet, Ruth Kaper, Carol Wright, Linda Nannenga, Patricia Schaefer, Mrs. Hoepner, Mary Misch.

The Sunray Society of DeMotte Junior High School, was organized in 1953 to meet the needs of the Junior High Girls for a service organization. Carolyn Jackson was the first president of the group, and Linda Nannenga is the current president.

The Sunray Girls assist in one community drive each year. This year they did the Heart Fund Drive. They try to send letters and cards to girls in the hospitals who may be about the same age. Over 60 letters and cards were sent to a girl who was hospitalized at Rensselaer after an accident.

Each Sunray girl has an "ideal girl" who will be the guest of honor at the annual Mother's Tea in the Spring.

Senior Band



LEFT TO RIGHT, FIRST ROW: Ruthann Kampenga, Kay Bunning, Arlie Kingma, Eleanor Hamstra. SECOND ROW: Ruth Ann Ewalt, Sharlie Konovsky, Mildred Cobrly, Joyce Bush, Jacquelyn Van Wiennen, Robert Bunning, Betsy Bol, Margaret Tappan, Delores Myers. THIRD ROW: Doreen Thornton, Pauline Westerhoff, Karen Peterson, Ruth Alma Abbrition, Janet St. John, Lyle Kessinger, Jerry Heimlich, Donald Moolenaar, Melodie Grevensuk, Donna Marsh, Paula Bush. FOURTH ROW: Renee Albritton, Marion Groot, Marilyn Van Wiennen, Dean Kingma, Ronald Gross, Judy Nuss, Allen Grube, Barbara Groot, Mr. Albritton, Patricia Myers, Ruth Kaper, Jerry Vermeulen, Lynn Kessinger, Linda Hammerton.

Junior Band



LEFT TO RIGHT, FIRST ROW: Margie Kiersma, Billy Dyke, Audrey Hoeppner, David Hart, Billy Eenshuister, Mary Beth Starkey, Linda Moolenaar. SECOND ROW: Lornell Hamstra, Sharon Nannenga, Donna De Vries, Lorna Odle, Skippy Albritton, Mary Lynn Abbrition, Davy Peterson. THIRD ROW, STANDING: Linda Osburn, Billy Van Dyke, Jimmy Bunning, Mr. Albritton.

Chorus



LEFT TO RIGHT, FIRST ROW: Virginia Bush, Judy Griwac, Linda Hammerton, Patricia Van Meerten, Kay Bunning. SECOND ROW: Barbara Groot, Ruth Alma Abbring, Marilyn Van Wieren, Doreen Thornton, Mildred Coberly, Mr. Albritton. THIRD ROW: Barbara Wagner, Doris Van Meerten, Judith Smith, Sharon Milton, Janet St. John, Eleanor Toppen. FOURTH ROW: Roberta Leitzow, Bill Thornton, Elaine Wiers, Veronica Krueck, Alice Unzicker, Lorraine Hoffman, Edith Selby. FIFTH ROW: Robert Bunning, Junior Van Keppel, Roy Kingma, Allen Grubbe, Dean Kingma, Marvin Kaluf, Charles Peterson.

Sextette



LEFT TO RIGHT: Eleanor Toppen, Lorraine Hoffman, Arlene Kingma, Alice Unzicker, Janet St. John, Kay Bunning.

Pep Band



LEFT TO RIGHT, FIRST ROW: Arlene Kingma, Robert Bunning, Jacquilyn Van Wienen, Betsy Bol. SECOND ROW: Mildred Coberly, Jerry Heimlich, Lyle Kessinger, Marion Groet, Marilyn Van Wienen.

The Pep Band and the Swing Band have just been organized this year. They are both under the direction of Mr. Albritton, our music teacher.

Swing Band



LEFT TO RIGHT, FIRST ROW: Mildred Coberly, Arlene Kingma, Robert Bunning, Marilyn Van Wienen, Renee Albritton. SECOND ROW: Jerry Heimlich, Lyle Kessinger, Janet St. John, Ruth Alma Abbring, Donald Moole-naar, Marion Groet.

Senior Play



LEFT TO RIGHT, SEATED: Evelyn Evers, Betty Jabaay, Barbara Schaefer, Doris Van Meerten, Barbara Wagner, Thelma Kaluf. FIRST ROW: Miss Kolling, Alice Unzicker, Robert Schultz, Robert Bunning, Eleanor Toppen. SECOND ROW: Jerry Vermeulen, Allen Grube, Robert Williamson, Darrell Crawford, John Van Keppel.

Jasper	John Van Keppel
Gladiola	Betty Jabaay
Libby Ann	Barbara Schaefer
Elmer Sneed	Robert Bunning
Tommy Wilkins	Allen Grube
Herbert Stanley	Jerry Vermeulen
Julie Mathers	Alice Unzicker
Ketura Katt	Thelma Kaluf
Mrs. Spooner	Doris Van Meerten
Celia Van Gordon	Eleanor Toppen
Caroline Van Gordon	Evelyn Evers
Godfrey Van Gordon	Darrell Crawford
Adam Pottle	Robert Williamson
Mr. Bates	Keith Barker
Messenger Girl	Barbara Wagner

The three-act farce comedy was presented on November 5 and 6, 1955. Miss Kolling was director of the play. It was a huge success.

Junior Play



LEFT TO RIGHT, SEATED: *Betty Jabaay, Carol Duggins, Doris Van Meerten, Barbara Wagner, First Row: Miss Kolling, Frances Vander Molen, Lester Thornton, Mary De Kock, Thelma Kaluf. Second Row: Jerry Vermeulen, Darrell Crawford, Allen Grube, James Fritts, John Van Keppel.*

Mrs. Bennet	Betty Jabaay
Mr. Bennet	Lester Thornton
Jane	Berniss Saundrey
Mary	Frances Vander Molen
Catherine	Barbara Wagner
Elizabeth	Joyce Boender
Lydia	Mary De Kock
Miss Bingley	Loretta De Young
Mr. Bingley	James Fritts
Charlotte	Carol Duggins
Lady Lucas	Doris Van Meerten
Mr. Wickham	Darrell Crawford
Lady Cathrine De Bourgh	Thelma Kaluf
Mr. Collins	Allen Grube
Mr. Darcy	Jerry Vermeulen
Hill	John Van Keppel

The play was presented on April 9, 1954. Miss Kolling directed the play which was a great success.

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SPORTS





Basketball

VARSITY BASKETBALL

TEAM	WE	THEY
Rcmington	56	45
Boone Grove	64	36
Kouts	47	40
Goelland	46	38
San Pierre	58	50
Lowell	60	48
Fair Oaks	58	62
Mt. Ayr	64	49
Tefft	82	48
Wheatfield	58	50
Tefft	45	39
Morocco	43	58
Brook	53	65
Hebron	79	49
Francesville	59	66
Fair Oaks	49	51

TOURNAMENTS

FOUR-WAY TOURNEY AT RENSSLAER		
TEAM	WE	THEY
Fowler	43	76
Wheatfield	65	52
K. V. T.		
Wheatfield	66	69
SECTIONAL		
Morocco	47	67
INDIVIDUAL SCORES		
	FG	FT
A. Grube	122	67
B. Kaper	95	67
R. Nannenga	59	37
R. Marshall	41	47
C. Hamstra	30	29
L. Thornton	33	3
B. Lloyd	18	24
B. Zylstra	16	17
J. Bol	8	11
J. Fritts	4	13
B. Schultz	1	9
R. Kingma	0	2



William Jones, COACH

The Varsity Squad had a better than average record this season, winning 12 out of 20 games, though they lacked the spark of last years team. They got buck fever when the tournaments came around and lost the first game in all three of them. Looking forward to next year, they have some good experienced players and should make a fine showing.

INDIANS



“A” Team



LEFT TO RIGHT, FIRST ROW: Bob Lloyd, James Fritts, Bo's Schultz, Ronnie Marshall, Lester Thornton, Dick Kiersma, MANAGER. SECOND ROW: Mr. Jones, COACH; Bob Kaper, Allen Grube, Charlie Hamstra, Ray Nannenga, James Edwards, MANAGER.

"B" Team



LEFT TO RIGHT, FRONT ROW: Jimmy Unzicker, Junior Toppen, Herb De Fries, James Edwards, MANAGER; Norman Groet, Jack Kelly, Charles Spurgeon. SECOND ROW: Mr. Jones, COACH; Jerry Heimlech, Donnie Griwae, Roy Kingma, John Bol, Jim Walstra, Russell Duggins, Wayne Nuss, Dick Kiersma, MANAGER.

"B" TEAM BASKETBALL

TEAM	WE	THEY
Remington	49	32
Boone Grove	35	57
Kouts	43	34
Goodland	29	41
San Pierre	39	33
Lowell	54	25
Fair Oaks	34	31
Mt. Ayr	52	28
Wheatfield	46	40
Tefft	45	28
Morocco	29	41
Hebron	60	75
Francesville	34	35
Fair Oaks	29	43

The second team ended their season with a record of 8 wins and 6 defeats. They were hampered the last part of the season because of injuries and the moving up of a couple of the boys to the "A" Team. Some of these younger boys have a lot of height and should be a stronger ball team next year.

Junior High

Basketball Team



LEFT TO RIGHT, FIRST ROW: Bob Westerhoff, Leonard Kruger, Robert Drudge, Lynn Kessinger, Ricky Ramp, Ronnie Sipkema, Ronnie Gross, Ronald Lounberry, James Edwards, Dick Kiersma, MANAGERS. SECOND ROW: Mr. Jones, COACH; Lyle Kessinger, Jeremy Ramp, Jim Sampson, Billy Van Soest, Robert Albin, Howard Crawford, Carroll DeVries, Glenn Kooy, Robert Sipkema, Dean Alexander, Alvin Fase.

DEMOTTE JUNIOR HIGH BASKETBALL

A TEAM	WE	THEY	B TEAM	WE	THEY
Tefft	55	38	—	—	—
Kniman	77	17	37	8	
Rensselaer	29	39	11	49	
Wheatfield	33	43	12	13	
Wheatfield	43	48	22	24	

Track



LEFT TO RIGHT, FIRST ROW: Jim Unzieker, Bob Lloyd, Wayne Nuss, Norman Groet, Paul Spurgeon, Don Griwae, My. Jones. SECOND ROW: Art Ptacek, Herbie De Fries, Juhn Bol, Allen Grube, Roy Kingma, Ray Nannenga, Ronie Marshall.

TRACK AND FIELD MEETS

The track team had a slightly below average 1954 season. The prospects for next season's track team look promising.

The first meet was with and at Rensselaer on April 8. The score was: Rensselaer, 83; De Motte, 52.

On April 13, at 7:00 P.M. a triangular meet was held at DeMotte with Fair Oaks and Tefft also participating. The scoring was: DeMotte, 82 1/2; Fair Oaks, 57 1/2; Tefft, 18.

On April 15 another triangular meet was held at DeMotte with Hebron and Goodland. The score was: Goodland, 64; Hebron, 55 1/2; DeMotte, 25 1/2.

The next meet was held at Hebron with Kouts and DeMotte participating. The score was: Kouts, 54; Hebron, 53; DeMotte, 36 2/3.

The Sixth Annual DeMotte Invitational was held on April 23. The score was: DeMotte 70 1/10; Fair Oaks, 70 1/10; Mt. Ayr, 43 1/10; San Pierre, 34; Remington, 25 7/10 and Tefft 12.

On April 27 Kouts was DeMotte's foe in a dual meet. The score was: Kouts, 64; DeMotte, 50.

On April 30, the K. V. Track Meet was held at the Rensselaer High School Track. The scores were as follows: Morocco, 76; Wheatfield, 58; Hebron, 56; Kentland, 44 1/2; Fair Oaks, 37 1/2; Mt. Ayr, 30; DeMotte, 38; San Pierre, 15; Remington, 12; Hamlet, 8; Tefft, 5.

The County Track Meet was held on May 4, at Rensselaer. The score was as follows: Wheatfield, 80 3/4; Rensselaer, 72 1/4; Fair Oaks, 48 1/2; DeMotte 42 1/4; Remington, 23; Tefft, 6 1/4.

On May 7, at Frankfort the Sectional Track Meet was held. DeMotte's half mile relay team consisting of Schlarp, Swart, Fritts, and Marshall placed 4th with the time of 1:41.3.

On May 11, a meet was held at Lowell. The score was as follows: Lowell, 91 3/4; Wheatfield, 62 7/12; DeMotte, 36 7/12; and Wanatah, 16 1/4.

FOOTBALL



JIM FRITTS, HB
CO - CAPTAIN



KEITH BARKER, QB



RONNIE MARSHALL, HB



BOB KAPER, END



LES. THORNTON, CENTER
CO - CAPTAIN



JR. VAN KEPPEL, END



ROY KINGMA, HB



BILL THORNTON, QB



ART PTACEK, HB



CHARLES HAMSTRA, END



JOHN OEZER, CENTER



BOB SCHULTZ, END

Football

VARSITY INDIVIDUAL SCORES

NAME	POSITION	TD	PA	TOTAL
R. Marshall	HB	13	1 (Kick)	80
R. Kingma	HB	10	0	60
J. Fritts	HB	5	1	31
L. Thornton	C	2	1	13
B. Kaper	E	2	0	12
K. Barker	QB	0	6 (Kicks)	12
C. Hamstra	E	1	1	7
Jr. Van Keppel	E	1	0	6
J. Kelly	QB	0	2 (Kicks)	4
A. Ptacek	HB	0	1	1

The Varsity football team won 4 games and lost 4 this season against some very tough competition. In conference play they had 2 wins against 3 defeats. With quite a few of the boys back next year, DeMotte should have a good season.

The Freshmen-Sophomores tied 1 and lost 2 of the three games they played this season. This team was made up of mostly Freshmen who will have more experience next year, and, therefore should do better.



William Jones, COACH

Football



LEFT TO RIGHT, FRONT ROW: Charles Spurgeon, Jim Unzicker, Paul Spurgeon, Art Naumann, Chuck Peterson, Jack Kelly, Junior Tappan, Jerry Heimlich. **SECOND ROW:** Russell Duggins, Bill Kaper, Ron Marshall, Art Ptacek, Bill Thornton, Keith Barker, Bob Schaefer, Gene Keming. **THIRD ROW:** Lester Thornton, Junior Van Keppel, Roy Knigma, Bob Kaper, Mr. Jones, Charlie Hanstrum, John Ozer, Bob Schultz, James Fritts.

TEAM	DEMOTTE	OPPONENTS
Wheatfield	13	36
** Kentland	32	58
** Wheatfield	14	25
* Mount Ayr	18	18
** Mount Ayr	70	33
* Fair Oaks	28	34
** Morocco	6	25
* Fair Oaks	31	26
* Wheatfield	26	37
Mount Ayr	35	25
Cayuga	25	21

* Freshmen and Sophomores

*** Kankakee Valley Conference Game

Cheer Leaders



Alice Unzicker, Mary DeKock, Burlara Groet, Kay Bunning.



Judy Smith, Carol Kooy, Doreen Thornton.

Cheering Section



Alice Unzicker, Mary DeKock, Barbara Groet, Kay Bunning.



MISCELLANEOUS





Annual Picture Contest



June and Jane Krueger

First Prize Winner of Picture Contest
JANE KRUEGER

Second Prize Winner of Contest
SHARLIE KONOFSKY



Ricky and Sharlie

January



4—Played Hebron Here—Score DHS 79,
HHS 49.

7-8—Fixed Furnace, No School.

11—Played Francesville There—Score DHS
59, FIHS 66.

11—No School on account of snow.

15—Played Fair Oaks Here—Score DHS 49,
FOHS 51.

23-24-25-26—Sectional—D.Motte loses first
game to Morocco.

24—Claude's Birthday.

27—Frances' Birthday.

3—Back to school.

7—Played Wheatfield Here—Score DHS
58, WIHS 50.

13-14-15—K.V.T. Wheatfield won.

14—Bob Bunning's Birthday.

17—Lois's Birthday.

18—Played Tefft Here—Score DHS 45, THS
39.

21—Played Morocco at Hebron. DHS 43,
MHS 58.

23—Barbara Schaefer's Birthday.

28—Played Brook There—Score DHS 53,
BHS 65.

FEBRUARY



March

4—Junior High Operetta.

22—Grade Music Festival.

25-26—Junior Play "Line of Scrimmage"

APRIL



Charles Somers

16—Charles' Birthday.

29—Kankakee Valley Track Meet at Rensselaer.

2—4-Way Track Meet at Lowell.

3—Junior-Senior Banquet.

6—Eleanor's Birthday.

13—Mr. Hission's Birthday.

15—Baccalaureate.

18—Commencement.

20—Last Day of School.

26—James' Birthday.

10—Jasper County Track Meet at Rensselaer.

13—Sectional Track Meet at Lafayette.

MAY



John Hission Eleanor Jasper Jim Frith

JUNE



Betty Jacob Max Williamson Lee Thornton Darrell Crafel

8—Bob Williamson's Birthday.

9—Lee Thornton's Birthday.

19—Darrell's Birthday.

28—Betty's Birthday.

July



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29—John's and Carol's Birthday.

30—Keith's Birthday.

August



SEPTEMBER



3—Played Wheatfield Here—First Football Game—We Lost.

10—Played Kentland There—We Lost.

17—Played Wheatfield There—We Lost.

24—Played Mt. Ayr Here—We Won.

29—Alice's Birthday.

OCTOBER



- 1—Played Morocco Here—We Lost.
- 8—Played Fair Oaks Here—We Won.
- 12—Played Mt. Ayr Here—We Won.
- 15—Last Football Game with Cayuga Here
—We Won. Served them lunch afterward.
- 17—Doris' Birthday.
- 20—Barbara Wagner's Birthday.

NOVEMBER



December

- 3—Played San Pierre Here—Score DIHS 58,
SPHS 49.
- 7—Played Lowell There—Score DHS 60,
LHS 48.
- 10—Played Fair Oaks There—Score DHS 56,
FOHS 62.
- 14—Played Mt. Ayr Here—Score DHS 64,
MAHS 49.
- 17—Played Tefft Here—Score DHS 82, THS
48.
- 22—Christmas Vacation Starts.
- 28 and 29—4-Way Tourney. Fowler Won.

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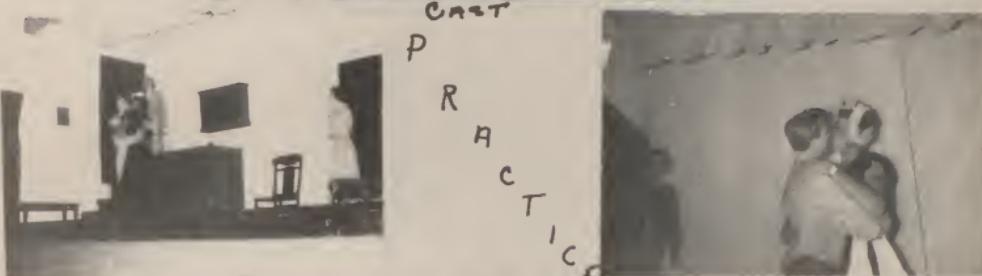


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